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Morton W Y to Chloe Crouch et al, 19-20ths of tract in H T Chenowith sur, $500.

Crupp G W and wife to A J Coulter, 40 a, John Russell sur, $650.

Coulter A J and wife to W A Campbell, 40 a, John Russell sur, $800.

R R Thornton and wife to J A Garnett, 100 a, Jos Briton sur, $333.33.

Burch J S and wife to J L Wagener, 60 a in B White and John Cunningham surs, $1000.

Roberts F E and wife to Jennie Alexander, lots in Melissa, $1051

Hood Chas E to A S Kendrick, lot in Plano, $225.

Hood & Kendrick to J R Eldridge, lot in Plano, $500.

Eldridge J R and wife to J T Lewis, lot in Plano, $550.

Lewis J T and wife to J R Eldridge, lot in Plano, $550.

Eldridge J R and wife to the Plano Baptist Church, lot in Plano, $400.

Straughn W A by sheriff to T B Wilson, undivided int of 145 a Jesse Stiff sur, $105

Straughn W A and wife to T B Wilson, Sr, undivided int in 145 a, Jesse Stiff sur, $175.

Wilson T B to T B Wilson, Jr, 14 a, Jesse Stiff sur, $280.

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LAYING CORNER STONE

IMPOSING CEREMONIES IN HONOR OF McKINNEY'S NEW RELIGIOUS EDIFICE.

The Order of The Big Parade.

The Civic Organization That Participated—An Address by judge Tom Brown—A Very Enjoyable Time.

McKinney, Tex., Aug. 5.—The cornerstone of the First Christian church was laid here to-day with imposing ceremonies.

Promptly at 10 o'clock a. m., at tap of the city bell, a procession of Sunday school children started from the Baptist church on South Tennessee street. The The following churches were represented and marched each under charge of its superintendent, in the order named: Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Cumberland Presbyterian, Episcopal and Christian, preceded by the city brass band and followed by the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star. To the uninitiated it will be necessary to say that each of "the five points" was represented by appropriate colors, thus: The white ray by a carriage draped in white and five lady occupants also in white. The other rays, red, yellow, blue, and green, were represented, while the carriage for the officers and its occupants were decorated in purple white and gold. As soon as the rear of the procession reached the southeast corner of the square the Masonic body was ready to fall in, having previously marched from their lodge room forming on East Louisiana street, and observed the following order: 1 Master Masons; 2. R. A. Masons; 3. Knights Templar; 4. Grand lodge officers, after which the fire department joined in, consisting of five trucks tastefully trimmed in the colors of the Order of the Eastern Star, out of compliment to the ladies of that order. The fire boys, to the number of about fifty, made a very imposing appearance. They are all volunteers and the very best young men of the town. Their banding together for the purpose of protecting the homes and property of their neighbors argues energy and courage.

A large number of citizens in their carriages swelled the procession into the largest ever seen in this city. The Houston and Texas Central railway and the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern railway ran special trains, and brought large Masonic delegations, while the rich and populous country round about poured in to do honor to the occasion.

When the head of the procession reached the building after parading the square and principal streets it opened ranks and thus the grand officers and official ladies reached the platform where the cornerstone was laid in due and ancient form by the following representatives of the grand lodge of Texas: E. H. Bowlby, G. M.; John Church, D. G. M.; H. E. Smith, S. G. W.; John D. Page, J. G. W.; W. B. Newsome, G. T.; R. F. Dowell, G. S.; S. K. Hallam, G. C.; W. M. Abernathy, G. M., John W. Hamilton, P. A.; and C. H. Wysong, G. J.

Judge W. K. Homan of Dallas, orator of the day, delivered a short address, congratulating the people on the intense interest manifested on the occasion of laying the cornerstone of a temple dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, dwelling on the importance of laying a proper foundation and discussing the underlying principles and the wonderful growth of the organization for which the building was being erected.

At the conclusion a representative of each point of the (Eastern) Star laid a bouquet of corresponding color upon the stone, repeating the words: "Peace be to this house," and Elder Hallam closed the proceedings with an appropriate prayer.

Among the deposits were: A roll of the officers and members of the church, engrossed on parchment, numbering 306; a similar roll of the membership of St. John's lodge No. 51, being 111 members; a list of the contributors to the structure; lists of Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor societies; copies of the Christian Courier of Dallas, and other church papers; copies of the county papers and of The Dallas Morning News of this date; a copy of the Holy Scriptures donated by St. John's lodge, and a copy of the New Testament, which belonged to little Edwin Newsome, recently deceased, between the folds of which was the contribution for mission purposes which the little fellow had intended to give on the Sunday when he was stricken down. There was also deposited a photograph of the old building and history of the Christian church at McKinney since its organization in 1848, till the present time reads a follows:

The congregation was organized April 1, 1848, by Elder J. B. meth, for many years county and district clerk of Collin county. The meeting at which the church was organized was probably held in a new barn. The meetings were afterwards held in the court house, and later in a schoolhouse under the Masonic hall, on the lot now occupied by the residence of Jesse Shain.

During this period the congregation was ministered to by J. B. Wilmeth, Dr. Cartwright, J. Gough Jones and B. F. Hall, with some regularity. In 1859 the first house of worship was erected on the lot now occupied by the pastor's cottage. In 1873 this building was torn down and repaired, and it having been injured in a cyclone, was again remodeled in 1879. In this house the congregation has continued to worship to the present time.

From 1858 to 1876 the pulpit was supplied by, B. F. Hall, James T. Muse, T. W. Caskey, C. M. Wilmeth, R. C. Horn, and perhaps others.

Occasional sermons were preached by many of the pioneer preachers of Texas, among whom are still remembered Brothers Clark and Polly.

Since 1877 the church has been continuously served by the following pastors for the time indicated: Kirk Baxter 77, 78; Elder Skiles 79, 80; J. B. Faulkner 81, 82, 83; C. W. Sewell 84, 85, 86; J. P. Pinkerton 87, 88, 89; D. W. Pritchett 90, 91, 92; A. P. Terrell 93, 94; S. W. Crutcher 95, 96; and the present incumbent since Jan. 1, 1897.

In 1872 a notable meeting was conducted by Gen. R. M. Gano of Dallas, during which there were more than fifty conversions, among them Brother R. C. White one of the present elders. Meetings have been held at various times by Addison and Randolph Clark, J. M. Tennison, J. J. Lockhart, B. B. Saunders and Frank Talmage. It was in Bro. Lockhart's meeting, during the pastorate of D. W. Pritchett, that I. D. Newsome, whose liberality with that of his sons has made the building possible, was added to the church. His two sons had been members of the church several years before. Immediately upon entering on his work the present pastor began agitating the question of a new house of worship in keeping with the wealth and influence of the congregation and the needs of the master's work. Frequent conferences were held with influential brethren on the subject. During a meeting held by the pastor in March, 1897, the house was not large enough on several occasions to accommodate the audience. I. D. Newsome and sons, after carefully considering the matter, proposed to build for the church a house of worship to cost about $14,000 on the condition that the congregation would raise a sufficient amount to lift the incumbrance on lot, remodel the dwelling house thereon for the pastor's residence, and to furnish the house when completed, furniture to include a pipe organ and furnaces for heating. The proposition was accepted and a committee consisting of J. L. White, Plummer Harris and the pastor was appointed to raise the necessary funds. On the second Lord's day in April $7000 had been pledged, and it was announced that the building would be erected. The subscription has since been increased to $8000, including the proceeds of the sale of the old parsonage. The building and furniture alone will cost about $20,000. The entire property of the church is estimated to be worth $25,000. A list of the contributors with the amount given is placed in the corner stone. J. L. White headed it with $750, D. C. Hill and L. H. Graves each gave $500, while Jesse Shain gave $1000 to be applied toward the purchase of the organ. But others with equal liberality in proportion to their means gave as a free will of offering to the Lord. Those who have made the larger offerings as well as the brethren who have built the church feel that their brethren and sisters who have given so freely out of their poverty have done more than they. So that the humblest disciple that has done what he could is an equal partner with them in this noble work. The roll of officers and members, engrossed on parchment and placed in the corner stone, shows the membership to be 306 on Aug. 5, 1897.

Profoundly grateful to God, who has permitted us to celebrate the fiftieth year of our history as a church by erecting this magnificent building for his worship, we pray him that the coming years may be equally blessed in building of the spiritual edifice. To him be glory and honor throughout the age of ages. Amen!

The citizens of McKinney invited all present to a picnic dinner at the city park, where an address of welcome was delivered by Hon. J. M. Pearson, the mayor, and and Judge T. J. Brown of the supreme court, then delighted the people with a talk on old times, detailing many of the stirring reminiscences of early pioneer life.

The business men, without exception, closed their doors from 10 o'clock to 2 in order to participate, and every detail was carried out in the most happy manner. The munificent donation of the church building by I. D. Newsome and his two sons, the liberality of the church members and outsiders in contributing to the furnishing, heating and organ the spirit of good will and brotherly feeling manifested, all conspired to make the occasion one to be long and gratefully remembered by the citizens of McKinney.

Corner Stone Notes.

The extreme heat compelled a great may to seek their homes for relief.

Little Miss Goldie Warden, sponsor of Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, was the recipient of much attention during the parade.

His excellency Mayor J. M. Pearson and Hon. Tom Perkins formed a team of robust and respectable appearance which graced the parade.

The ceremonies of this occasion, under the auspices of St. John's Lodge, were the first corner stone laying, according to Masonic ceremony, ever performed in Collin county.

Quite a delegation from Tennehill Lodge, of Dallas, were present and took part in the corner stone laying exercises. They remained over night and attended the meeting of St. John's lodge.

Every one of the twelve lodges in the county, as well as representatives from various other North Texas lodges, were in the line of march. By common assent, this was the most notable event in Masonry in the history of Collin county.

Several old Masons present testified to the practical value of Masonry which none deny. Instances in their long careers were heard cited where life and property were rescued from the destroyer by the mysterious wand of this hoary order of antiquity.

A new epoch has evidently dawned upon the congregation that will worship in this new temple of God. Such a spirit seemed prevalent on this occasion in every breast, and the sentiment almost realized:

Hope shall change to glad fruition
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

The ladies are very grateful to the fire boys for decorating in Eastern Star colors out of respect for the order. The boys cannot be discounted for gallantry to the ladies, loyalty to the city and general efficiency for unpaid firefighters.

Three marshals were in charge of the procession. Prof. J. B. Dodson was marshal in charge of the Sunday school children, A. B. Carroll, W. P., in charge of ladies of the Eastern Star and Hon. W. M. Abernathy grand marshal of the day.

In the announcement of deposits it was said that a copy of the first and last issues of The McKinney Democrat would be deposited. This was a slight error. It was a copy of the last issue and a copy of our illustrated edition issued in 1891 containing a synopsis of the county's history and other valuable information.

I. D. Newsome, the pioneer McKinney merchant, spread the mortar for the laying of the corner stone. It was fitting that Mr. Newsome perform this act, as the beautiful new edifice, when completed, will stand a material monument to the generosity of himself and two worthy sons, W. B. and E. A. Newsome.

The large number of veteran Masons in line of march was a cause of remark on every side. Several were in the procession whose entrance into the mysteries of the order dates back more than half a century. Among the oldest might be mentioned Col. Jot Woodall, Esq. W. R. H. Mack, Dr. Gale, J. H. Jenkins, C. H. Wysong and C. J. Aston, of Farmersville.

While the procession was waiting at the Baptist church for orders to move a quaint old couple from the rurals came along the Dallas road on their way into town. Not being aware of the important event to come off in McKinney that day they were naturally surprised when they came in view of the long, gorgeous column lined up ready to march. The fire engine being in the rear attracted their attention first. Critically scanning the engine, the old fellow remarked to his spouse "that 'ar must be a music box." "Y-a-s," replied the old lady, "an' it's a powerful fine on' too." "You bet," came the ready assent and then they scrutinized the next in line which they pronounced "mity purty hen roosts." These were Hook and Ladder Wagons Nos. 1 and 2 so beautifully decorated in the Eastern Star colors. But the energetic fire boys are not to be blamed for feeling a little ruffled at these cruel, though inncent remarks. For 48 hours they worked faithfully in rubbing up the engine and tastefully arranging buntings and decorations, after which, then to have their engine dubbed a "music box" and their wagons, "purty hen roosts."—well, it was provoking.

The Eastern Stars were the central feature of the parade, though the whole was very creditable to Masons and others participating. The ladies of the order were borne in six carriages tastefully decorated in colors harmonizing with the costumes of their respective occupants. Four white horses drew the first carriage which was decorated in royal purple and white, and contained the following officers: Worthy Matron, Mrs. W. B. Newsome; Worthy Patron, A. B. Carroll (the only gentleman occupant of any of the carriages); Past Worthy Matron, Mrs. Dr. T. W. Wiley; Past Worthy Matron, Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy. Second carriage, blue decorations, Misses Judith English, Lizzie Crouch, Kate Page, Mrs. Howell E. Smith, Mrs. W. E. Marshall. Third carriage, yellow decorations, Misses Mame Page, Joe B. Davis, Fannie Bagley, Nettie Barnes and Mrs. D. T. Pardue. Fourth carriage, white decorations, Miss Dora Barnes, Mesdames W. M. Abernathy, W. D. Davis, T. J. Melton and Mrs. Dr. J. E. Gibson. Fifth carriage, green decorations, Misses Pearl Nelson, Fannie Abernathy, Mattie Dowell, Emma Walden, and Mrs. John Johnson, Jr. Sixth carriage, red decorations, Misses Ella B. Newsome, Bessie Nelson, Ollie Plemmons, Allie Dowell and Mrs. Dr. J. C. N. Smith. The effect produced by the charming ladies and beautifully decorated horses and carriages in the parade were truly a feast for the eye and cultured taste seldom enjoyed by the people of any town, and speke volumes for the energy of A. B. Carroll and Mrs. W. B. Newsome, under whose direction success crowned every detail of the affair and doubly met the most sanguine expectation.

SNAP SHOTS.

Ice is free in Alaska, but whisky is a dollar a drink.

The Princess Chimay is in trouble again in Berlin. It is about time she was taking a drop.

If Gov. Culberson is the possessor of a solar plexus, Judge Reagan has doubtless located it.

Gov. Culberson now has an additional reason for plunging into the sea of noncommittalness.

The republicans of Colorado City have indorsed Miss Lou Hazzard for postmaster. The young lady has such backing that she does not regard her risk in anywise hazardous.

The senatorial question is still being discussed in Tennessee and an east Tennessee paper says that Mr. Turley is not so warm. Well, he lives in Memphis.

According to the Chicago chief of police, poker is not a game of chance. Perhaps he regards it as a "grand sweet song."

The pantsmakers' union of New York declare vigorously against the sweating system. If they continue their strike and quit making pants, it is likely that "sweating" by most men will eventually be done away with.

A Buffalo minister says that the rush to Klondike is the first step to hell. This may be true, but those who embark to the latter locality will probably continue to pack their trunks with pamleaf fans and linen dusters.

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"	No 4	5:58 p.m
"	Cannon Ball	9:48 p. m.

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Miss Olegirl.—"Did the gentleman seem much grieved to find me out?"

Butler (non-committal).—"I don't know, mum. They shook hands, an' said Let's take a drink."

The ups and Downs of Business

Office-Boy.—"Your wife called you up six times today."

Wheeler (who has been "out" all day)—"Well, she'll call me down a dozen times tonight."

A Poor Season

Bessie—I did not see you all last summer. I suppose you were very much engaged?

Louis—No, only to about five fellows; but I hope to do better this season.—New York Tribune.

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THE state board of education has apportioned the state available school funds for next year at $4 per capita.

HON. Geo. W. Smith of Houston and Watt Finley, democrats, have announced for land commissioner of the general land office.

THE populist state convention of Ohio is in session at Columbus. The fusionists are in the majority.

RANDOLPH school district in Fannin county voted on local option Saturday. Result, 38 pros and 7 antis.

ELLIS county will have a local option election for the entire county Sept. 4th. In 1894 the measure carried by more than 600 majority.

THE National democracy of Ohio will hold a conclave on Sept. 8, to nominate a full state ticket.

SINKILLER Griffin is preaching the gospel at Austin. He is too late, the sinners have fled from the State Capital. The legislature adjourned long ago.

THE Southern Mercury hits the key note when it says that the public will not be surprised at any political action of Buck Walton unless he happens to remain with one party twelve months.

COL. J. Dud Cottrell, of Plano, was here last Saturday on legal business. Col. Cottrell informs us that he will be a candidate for County Judge next year, subject to the democratic party.—Wylie Rustler.

CLAY county voted on local option last week which carried by 40 votes. Local option had been in effect for two years in that county and a strong effort was made to open the saloons.

A PROMINENT water melon producer of Denton county tells THE DEMOCRAT reporter "that McKinney is the best water melon market in the state." He said that he had been in the business for seventeen years and knew whereof he spoke. When the market in McKinney becomes so gorged with any article the farmer produces that no buyer can be found, it is needless to look elsewhere in other towns to sell it. The sharp competition always resulting from many buyers, and in all lines of merchandising, makes McKinney a desirable trading point for farmers. Come to McKinney where you can get the best prices for your wheat, oats, corn, cotton, or any other produce and where you can buy groceries, dry goods, and all things needful to a thrifty people at the very lowest notch!

Scrofula

Makes life misery to thousands of people. It manifests itself in many different ways, like goitre, swellings, running sores, boils, salt rheum and pimples and other eruptions. Scarcely a man is wholly free from it, in some form. It clings tenaciously until the last vestige of scrofulous poison is eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla, the

One True Blood Purifier.

Thousands of voluntary testimonials tell of suffering from scrofula, often inherited and most tenacious, positively, perfectly and permanently cured by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.
Be sure to get Hood's and only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

McKinney takes no back seat when it comes to a hog or cattle market.

ATTYS. Mangum and Shelton had a personal encounter in the court room at Plano last week and as a consequence were fined $10 each for contempt. Physical culture consists will likely be eschewed by them in the future.—Wylie Rustler.

McKinney affords her farmer patrons with plenty of good artesian stock water, wagon yards, hotels, restaurants and lunch stands. All roads leading into tha city are in first class condition and farmers hauling their produce from a distance find splendid camping grounds with plenty of wood and water on three sides and almost within the shadow of the city.

A DOUBLE killing occurred Sunday evening at Forrest Home church, in Gregg county. J. H. Meadows was instantly killed and Major Watson was so badly wounded he died soon afterwards. Joe Hicks was arrested. The tragedy occurred during religious services. During the shooting men yelled, women fainted, children screamed and the wildest of consternation reigned.

State Red Men Council.

The Great Council of Texas, Improved Order of Red Men convened in San Antonio, Tuesday, Aug. 10, which was, in Indian chronology, 10th sun, Sturgeon Moon, G. S. D 406. Dr. J. T. Taylor, representative of Hiawatha tribe of this city, departed Monday evening to be present at the opening exercises. Speaking of the great council Past Great Sachem R. H. Purdy said, in Monday's Dallas News:

"Good reports have been received from the San Antonio reservation and it is expected a thousand hunters and warriors will be in the trail. Corn and venison in abundanc and a good time assured. After quenching council fire, the chiefs and their friends the palefaces, can enjoy a trip to Monterey."

General News.

J. M. Trout was assassinated at his home near Ryan, I. T., last week by unknown parties.

Two negro lynchings occured in Georgia Aug. 7. Both victims met their fate for assaulting white ladies.

The home of a farmer named Bostwin near New Road, Ky., was struck by lightning on the 6th inst. The house burned and Bostwin with his wife and daughter were cremated.

John Jacob Astor has donated $18,000 to purchase Elmwood, the home of James Russell Lowell, at Cambridge, Mass., which will be turned into a memorial park and thrown open to the public.

Prime Minister Assassinated.

Spain's prime minister, Senor Castillo, was assassinated Sunday by an anarchist who gave the name of Michele Angino Colli, said to be an Italian. The tragedy occurred at the Santa Agueda baths. The assassin fired three shots at close range, all of which took effect, and the great Spanish statesman, fell at his wife's feet dying. He lived two hours and died with the words "Long Live Spain," on his lips. Owing to Spain's financial and provincial troubles many are the dire conjectures to Spain as a result of Castillo's death. Secretary of State John Sherman thinks Cuba is now lost to Spain, and Senator Morgan, of Alabama, would not be surprised to see Spain change to a republican form of government.

The True Wife.

Oftentimes I have seen a tall ship glide by against the tide as an invisible bowline with a hundred strong arms pulling it. Her sails unfilled, her streamers drooping, she had neither side-wheel nor serene triumph, as with her own life. But I knew that on the other side of the great ship, hidden beneath the great bulk that swam so majestically there was a little toilsome steam tug with a heart of fire and arms of iron, that was tugging it bravely on, and I knew that if the little steam tug untwined her arms and left the ship it would wallow and roll about and drift hither and thither and go off with the refluent tide no man knows whither. And so I have found more than one genius high-decked, full-freighted, idle-sailed, gay-penoned, that but for the toiling arms and brave-beating heart of the faithful little wife that nestles to him so that no wind or wave could part them, would have gone down with the stream and been heard of no more. —O. W. Holmes.

FARMERSVILLE BUDGET.

Runaway Mishap—Infant's Death—Accidental Shooting—Champion Town For Fat Men.

On Monday night, while coming from Water Ridge, a school house about six miles north of this city, Buford Worthington and John Reed attacked Wm. Brown in the public road. One of the parties struck Brown a blow in the face, when a sister to Brown interfered and stopped the proceedings. Warrants have been issued for Reed and Worthington.

Miss Ida Hardin has been quite sick for several days. At this writing we are glad to say that she is convalescent.

The sermon at the Baptist church last Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Daugherty was replete with good sense and logic and we know the congregation were deeply interested by the remarkable attention given the discourse. His illustrations were beautiful and to the point.

Our local nimrods are having fine sport shooting doves. From the number bagged it seems that they are plentiful.

Roscoe Warden while handling a target rifle one day last week accidentally shot himself through the foot. We understand his wound is doing all right.

Misses Ollie and Mavis McCarley are visiting in Denison this week.

Mrs. Strong was kicked by a cow last Monday and painfully, though not seriously hurt.

Farmersville has more large men perhaps than any other town of its size in the state. Which one of the hundreds of cities in the state with a population of 2000 or less will count heavy weight with us? No one to count in the list unless he weighs 200 or more.

Mrs. Albert Sewell of Haskell is visiting in the city.

M. A. Pierce of Waxahachie was in the city a day or two since

Jesse Jenkins Esq., of Wise county, once county commissioner of Collin county, and his wife are visiting the family of Eton Coleman.

Tuck Hill of McKinney spent Saturday last in this city.

Mrs. Mable White and baby Gladys Thelma went to McKinney Thursday.

S. H. Graham the popular agent of the S. S. & S. Ry., at McKinney was in town Saturday.

Prof. H G. Reed was in the city Saturday. He was on his way to Bonham where he is assigned work as one of the normal examiners of that place.

While Mr. Warren was returning home from Farmersville last Saturday evening accompanied by wife and several others in a wagon, all of the party were thrown from the vehicle going down hill about one half mile south of town and most of them were more or less injured. Mrs. Warren sustained the most injuries. Drs. Hamilton and Neathery went to the scene of the wreck to attend the unfortunate lady while Mr. Bellmyer Warren came into town and had Dr. Thomas to bind up his cuts and bruises. We are glad to hear all of them are doing well and will recover.

Rev. I. S. Ashburn, former pastor of the M. E. church here and the presiding elder for the Greenville district at present, is in the city.

Mrs. Julia Hardin has been quite sick this week.

An infant child of Jess Jones died last Monday night. The family have our sympathy in their sorrow.

We have had fine showers lately and everybody seems happy.

ORIENT.

RELIGIOUS.

Rev. Barney Lewis assisted Rev. Joel S. Graves in the latter's meeting at Wilson's chapel last week.

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Rev. J. H. Davies preached morning and evening at the Presbyterian church Sunday. The latter was his farewell sermon.

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Frank M. Bristol D. D., pastor of the First M. E. church of Evanston, Ill., has accepted a call from President McKinley's church in Washington, D. C.

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Rev. C. E. Morgan of McKinney is assisting Rev. Kimsey at the protracted meeting at the South church.—Nevada Hustler

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Revs. McWhirter and Kilgore are conducting an interesting meeting at Bear Creek and are meeting with gratifying results. —Nevada Hustler.

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Rev. Joel S. Graves will commence a protracted meeting at the Methodist church, Princeton, Sunday, 11 o'clock a. m., Aug. 15.

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Monday Rev. Joel S Graves, of Anna, passed through McKinney enroute for Allen where he went to assist Rev. Ball in a meeting.

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Rev. J. A. Hornbeak is in charge of the Walnut Grove camp meeting which began last Friday. Rev. W. J. Lackey of Tehuacana, representative of Trinity college, preached Sunday. Quite a number from McKinney were present.

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Rev. R. C. Horn began an interesting series of meetings at the Christian church last Saturday evening. His flow of language is eloquent and decidedly fine. Miss Myrtle Wylie, of Farmersville, presides at the organ. Services are conducted both morning and evening and will be continued during the week. The attendance has been highly flattering.—Nevada Hustler.

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The man who advertises stands before the public in the full, legitimate, and dignified prominence of one who is proud of his business, has a right to be proud of it, is doeing a lot of it and wants to do more of it; and he is the kind of man that everybody wants to do business with, for just so long as the moth will be attracted by the candle light so long will buyers swarm around the advertising light of business.—Tobacco.

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A Louisville minister says some people often misinterpret their life work. I remember a young man who imagined he had received a call to the gospel ministry. The young man stated that he was ready to be ordained and begin the work. He said he had received a vision, and emblazoned on the sky were the letters G. P. C. He interpreted them "Go Preach Christ." A member of the church asked if the letters could not mean "Go plough corn." Some men have an idea they can do something when they can't. They should learn to gauge their work by the measure of their ability.

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Eld. J. B. Faulkner has been conducting some very successful meetings at Viney Grove No. 1 and Johnson school house. At the former place ten accessions to the church were made and forty-seven at the latter, thirty of which were by confession. The latter meeting was the most gracious revival experienced for years and lasting impressions upon the morals and religious character of the community were wrought. Eld. Huddleston assisted in the meetings.

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Numerous camp meetings are now being held throughout the county. Those we have heard of are, Walnut Grove, Bethel, Liberty, Johnson school house, Melissa and Anna. Evangelists Boen and Sid Williams are at the latter two places respectively, and have very large attendances. An old fashion union meeting of the same kind will begin tonight at the City Park, here in McKinney. Rev. Austin Crouch begins a series of meetings tonight at White's Grove and Pastor Ball, of the Allen circuit is conducting a protracted meeting at Allen. Surely, interest in religious matters is not lagging in Collin county.

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An old-fashion Union Camp-Meeting will begin at the City Park (the old Fair Ground) at McKinney, Texas, Thursday evening, Aug. 12, 1897, to be conducted dy the Pastors of the various churches of the City. Some of the best talented preachers will be had to assist. The Park is an excellent place for all such purposes, having plenty of shade trees and a bountiful spring of water. A nice place has been selected and cleaned off for those who desire to camp. Drinking water from the artesian well will be furnished on the ground free.

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There is a beautiful eastern story of a child walking beside the sea who saw a bright spangle lying in the sand. She stooped down and picked it up and found it attached to a fine thread of gold. As she drew it out of the sand there were other bright spangles on it. She drew up the gold thread, and wound it around her head, her arms and her body until she was covered from head to foot with the bright threads of gold and sparkled with the brilliance of the silver spangles. So it is when we lift out of God's word an ornament of beauty to put into our own life. We find other fragments of loveliness all bound together on a chain of love are attached to the one we have taken up. Then, as we draw up the chain and twine it about our neck and weave it into a web to make a garment for our souls, we find it is endless. Infinite as God Himself, is the abundance of the lovely things that we may draw out of this treasury of his to grace our life with beauty.

Why Amendments were Defeated.

McKinney, Tex., Aug. 9. 1897.

What caused the defeat of the constitutional amendments is a question that naturally enters the mind of every one, since the decisive result of last Tuesday's election. The day before the election Gov. Culberson said that he was going to his home in Dallas to vote for the amendments and that he then characterized the opposition as purely political, and as coming from the enemy of democracy who, "for purely political purposes would bring ruin, if they could upon their own state." This on the eve of the election looks like the governor was using the weight of his influence against the calm consideration of the voters, to predispose them to support the bond validating amendment, by inflaming their prejudices with the statement that the opposition was the enemy of democracy. This, in connection with the active position of Senator Gough, both before and on the day of the election for the irrigation amendment, would appear to foreshadow a concert of action upon the part of the administration to vindicate the wisdom of these acts of the 25th legislature. However this may, be it was the province of all to discuss these questions and finally to vote according to honest convictions and the welfare of the people. That they have been defeated is a surprise to the democracy as evidenced by their remarks both before and since the election. But that the enemy of democracy is responsible for the defeat will scarcely be contended by even Gov. Culberson himself, since the irrigation amendment was supported by such populist leaders as Major Kearby, Chas. H. Jenkins and others. The truth is the people have looked far enough into economic questions to know that one of the greatest evils of modern times is the enormous bonded indebtedness that now rests upon nation, state and municipality. In Texas they know that an appropriation of $225,000 is annually made to pay interest alone on this class of indebtedness. They know that Texas is already crossed with railroads capitalized at $30,000 to $70,000 per mile that are rendered for taxation at less than one-fourth this valuation. Knowing this, they are not disposed to increase the burden, that in its final analysis simply enables a greater army of drones to subsist upon the toil of the wealth producing classes. Thus they look with suspicion on anything savoring of more taxation. They have about come to the conclusion that this thing of taxing oneself rich is a fraud; that it is the syndicate, the corporation that holds the bond, the tax drawing instrument that gets rich. The proverbial timidity of capital of this kind is not disturbing them much, and they are not fighting so shy lest they scare it off. They have become possessed of sufficient dignity to lay down the gauntlet and ask the question, why labor is not superior to capitol, since it is its creator? These things, and there are others no doubt, are gradually having their effect, and while the vote was small there is no reason to suppose it was not just as representive of the whole vote of the state as if it had all been cast. If the people are awakening to the evils of a policy that advocates "credit-and-confidence" as what we want, and the launching upon an era of prosperity on bonded wealth to be confiscated when pay day comes, precipitating panic with all its terrors at regular periods, it is an omen for good and leads one to hope for the success of popular government in spite of demagogues and a subsidized metropolitan press, whose influence is almost wholly on the side of capital and wealth acquired, and against its creators.

C. E. OBENCHAIN.

THERE are many rash fortune hunters, even in Texas, who seem bent on braving the rigors of a long arctic winter in Alaska. Many will repent their folly in the frigid mountain wilderness of Klondike.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

COUNTY COURT.

The following business has been transacted since our last report:

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

George Eubank, theft, fined $20 and 5 days in jail.

CIVIL DOCKET.

Renner Roller Mills vs. St. L. and S. W. Ry. Co., continued.

Levi Roberts vs. J. W. Lindsey, injunction perpetuated, judgment set aside and judgment for defendant in garnishment.

J. H. Cook et al. vs. Dave Horner, judgment for plaintiff for note, interest and attorneys fees.

J. P. Burgner vs. John Rhiner et al, injunction perpetuated.

Carter-Battle Grocery Co. vs. St. L. & S. W. Ry. Co., judgment by agreement filed.

PROBATE DOCKET

E. Edens et al., minors., annual report approved.

L. T. Rutledge, deceased, inventory approved.

Frank Rogers et al., minors, annual report approved.

Jesse and Mabel Donnell, annual report approved.

Vivian Hill, minor, application to loan money granted.

Lizzie Montgomery et al., minors, annual report approved.

G. V. Lewis, minor, guardian's bond approved.

Mary C. Warden et al., minors, final report approved.

Rachel Cunningham, deceased final report approved.

L. A. White et al., minors, final report approved.

John Thompson, will probated.

Joe Foreman, will probated.

Harvey Andrews et al., minors, report of sale of land approved.

Estate of C. C. Heard, deceased, new partitioners appointed.

W. S. Bass, inventory approved.

D. M. Yeary appointed guardian of Tommie Bradley, minor.

Commissioners Court

The county commissioners court convened Monday in regular session. Aside from canvassing the returns of the recent local option election at Wylie and county election on constitutional amendments but little has been done thus far by the court.

The official announcement of the Wylie local option election gives the pros 55 votes, antis 58, or an anti victory by 3. The official vote on the three constituutional amendments as voted on Aug. 3:

For Irrigation	602
Against "	923
For bounds	423
Against "	1039
For Validating bonds	933
Against " "	585

The result shows that only one of the three amendments carried in the county.

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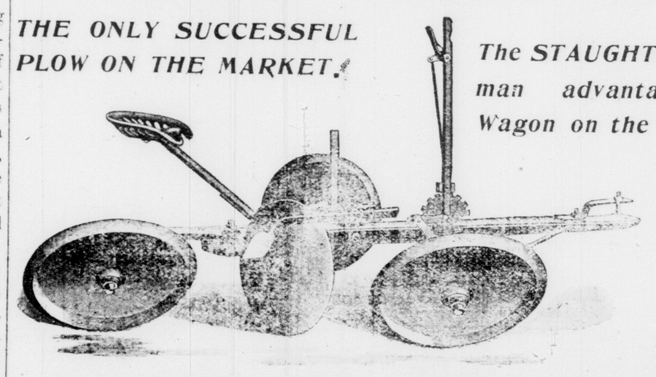
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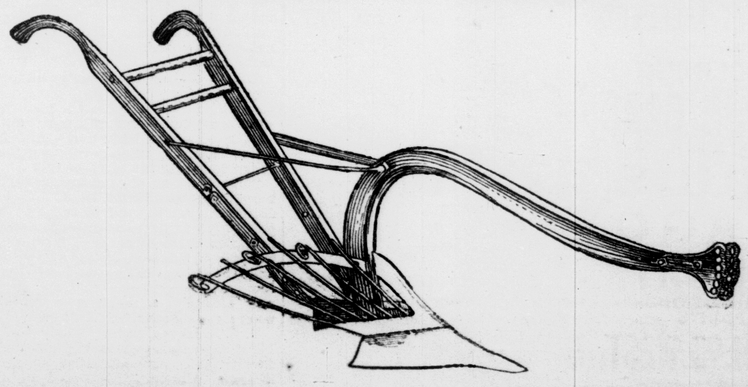
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Dr. Tutt; Your Liver Pills are the fly-wheel of life. I shall ever be grateful for the accident that brought them to my notice. I feel as if I had a new lease of life.
J. Fairleigh, Platte Cannon, Col.
Tutt's Liver Pills

CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Miss Judith English is visiting the Centennial.

Linseed oil to oil your wagon felloe at Smith Bros'.

W. W. Chapman was appointed postmaster of Allen last week.

Nickle Store, first door west of postoffice, solicits your trade.

Will Smith has returned from Tennessee.

Miss Ernie Stiff is spending the week with Melissa friends.

Cut nails at two and a quarter cents per pound at J. P. Crouch & Co's.

Read the "Mary Nash College" article in this issue—on 4th page.

Ice Cream Soda, Soda and Mineral waters at Smith Bros'.

We solicit a share of your grocery trade. Free delivery.
Goostree & Houston.

Charley Couch and G. M. Thompson of Sunset, Tex., are visiting J T. Couch and family.

The Nickle Store stands unrivaled in Collin county as a bargain house.

Chill Tonics at Smith Bros'.

Mrs. A. Q. Nash, of Sherman, was a pleasant vistor at The Democrat office last Saturday,

Save money by buying Groceries, Tinware, Lamp globes, Fruit jars and Cold Drinks at Mate Barnett's.

Mrs. Wilson Bowlby and daughter returned to Sherman, their home, Friday.

Eye Waters at Smith Bros'.

SHOO FLY! Buy your screen windows and doors of J. P. Crouch & Co. Nothing save cool summer breezes can get through them.

Swan Foreman has accepted a position with Smith Bros. and is an accommodating clerk.

We will pay our customers the higest market price for cotton
Goostree & Houston.

Greenberry Adams was off duty a couple of days this week on account of sickness.

Prescriptions left in our care will receive the best attention Smith Bros.

Joe Stimson and family left Monday for a trip to Tioga Wells and Whitesboro.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy always affords prompt relief. For sale by City Drug Store.

Everett and Erie Wade are visiting their sister, Mrs. Lola Taylor, in Waxahachie.

Look at the Estey and Camp & Co., Piano before you buy and be convinced of their superiority to other pianos.
J. T. Couch.

Dr. Joe Becton, of Greenville, was here Tuesday.

Stock Calomel, Chloroform and Cresylic Ointment at Smith Bros'.

M. Hampton disposed to Moore & Rollow, Monday, Nevada's first bale of Cotton. A nice premium was given.

When you want to buy a house an lot in McKinney or a farm in the country call on F. W. Mack. Upstairs in Newsome building.

Dr. F. M. Thompson went to Abilene this week to see his son Clint, who is sick at that place.

Immense stock of matting just received. All grades and qualities from the best Chinese to the cheapest at J. P. Crouch & Co's.

The fans at Smith Bros' are a "howling success."

Capt. J. S. Dowell and daughter, Miss Mamie, left this week for the Centennial.

J. H. Sneed is about again looking much emaciated as a result of his encounter with slow fever.

You can do no better than to buy your Groceries of Goostree & Houston.

The Normal course closed Tuesday and the three days examination is now in progress.

Many useful articles at the Nickle Store.

Are you going to make Chow Chow? We have all the spices for it.
Smith Bros.

Mrs. W. E. Marshal is now at the New York Markets selecting the latest and best for her millinery establishment.

No use running around asking Smith, Brown and Jones what to do for chills. Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic will cure you—cure you quickly and completely. Give it a trial. Guaranteed. Price 50 cents.

J. D. Cottrell, of Plano, came up to the hub Monday presumably in the interest of his race for the county judgeship.

A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Coffey.

The best Ice Cream in the city at Smith Bros'. You will be fanned while eating

State Superintendent of Schools, J. M. Carlisle was in the city Saturday.

A large delegation of McKinney's colored population went up to Sherman yesterdaay to attend a picnic.

Prickley Ash Bitters cures the kidneys, regulates the liver and purifies the bowels, A valuable system tonic. Smith Bros.

Dr. J. P. Webster has returned to San Antonio to spend a few days with his friends.

Aug. 3d was the eleventh anniversary of A. P. Carter's official career as deputy county clerk of Collin county.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading Cough Cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Mrs. Fannie Burr, Misses Carrie Burr and Grace McWhirter have returned to Nevada. They attended the Epworth League conference and remained for a few days' visit at the home of J. B. Foy.

The Old Reliable Nickle Store is a McKinney fixture. Its stock is varied and immense and bargains are to be had there in almost anything you may need in your household.

If you want your horse to feel good give him a package of our condition powders. Smith Bros.

Misses Daisy Gerrish and Midge Melton went to Allen Monday to visit their friends, Misses Clara and Cora Spradley.

Our extracts of Lemon and Vanilla are passports to favor. They are synonyms of purity and reliability. Try them. Smith Bros.

Miss Mary Wolfe, of Sherman, is in the city visiting.

W. A. Walcott has gone to Roswell, N. M, on a prospecting tour.

The Estey piano is taking the lead with sweet clear tone upon the same basis that placed the Estey organ ahead. First class material and superior work manship. J. T. Couch.

Ed and Jim Throckmorton of Whitt, Tex., are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Misses Lucile Wilson, Mary Spradley, Messrs Walter Spradley and Milton Whisenant left on the 7th for Galveston during the summer.

Pallid faces indicate pale, thin blood. Rosy cheeks show the pure, rich blood resulting from taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The Junior Order of American Mechanics will hold an interesting meeting tomorrow (Friday) night in their hall. All members are expected to be present.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A fine Piano Case Organ at a bargain. Call at The Democrat office, McKinney, Tex.

Miss Stella Perkins, of Winsboro, is visiting Miss Allie Sparlin. She is a sister of Esq. Tom W. Perkins, of Plano.

Just received, one car load of **Fresh Portland Cement**: also fire clay brick, sand, lime, etc. For sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons' **Lumber Yard.**

Miss Emma Shrewsberry, one of the McKinney Institute teachers during the past term, was recently married to Gordon Boone, of Navasota, Tex.

Several fine rains have fallen this week, cooling the atmosphere and relieving the cotton crop and vegetation.

Do you feel weak, weary, low spirited, poor appetite and disturbed digestion? You should try a bottle of Macdonald's Barley Elixir. It is a stomach tonic, stimulant and blood purifier, and its reviving influence is instantly apparent. As pleasant as the juice of a sweet orange. Sold by Smith Bros.

Ed Durning was in Van Alstyne and Sherman the early part of the week.

Charlie Russell, who was so severely burned Saturday morning at the wreck, is improving very nicely

W. W. McDowell leaves the latter part of the week for northern markets.

A few reasons why Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic should be used. It is effective; it is harmless; it is pleasant to take; it is quick in its action; it is guaranteed to cure. Fifty cents.

Will Baker, a young unmarried farmer living two miles east of Weston, was kicked by a mule last week and seriously, if not fatally injured. His skull was fractured.

A 50 cent Iron tonic. Pure Solution Iron concentrated and pure Amorphous Quinine is contained in Cheatham's Chill Tonic, making it the most desirable Iron Tonic on the market It is a true tonic, strengthener, appetizer, toner up of the system, and blood purifier. Only 50 cents.

J. W. O'Gilvie has accepted a position in the clothing department of S. Weisman's. Mack has many friends in the county who will hunt him up when buying in McKinney.

Stop that Cough! Take warning. It may lead to Consumption. A 25c. bottle of Shiloh's Cure may save your life. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Less White and sister, Miss Mattie, J. B. Rogers and family and Booker Shrader spent Sunday at the Bethel camp meeting.

Useful and ornamental articles too numerous to mention at the Nickle Store.

Miss Daisy Thomas, of Bowie, Tex., who has been visiting relatives in McKinney for a week, left Friday to spend a few days with her grandfather, Uncle Joe Wilson and family, at Allen.

Attorney Clifton of Farmersville attended county court yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Weisman are visiting in Gainesville.

Does your house need painting? Go to Wilcox & Sons' **Lumber Yard** for Vane Calvert **Palace Car Colors**, the best paint "on earth;" also Collier's White Lead, **Pure** Linseed oil, Brushes, Window glass, etc.

William B. Harrison of St. Louis, visited his brother, Walter B. Harrison, in this city this week. Mr. Harrison formerly resided in McKinney.

For Constipation take Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great Blood Purifier. Cures Headache, Nervousness, Eruptions on the face, and makes the head clear as a bell. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Miss Frances Tolbert, of the Indian Territory, paid a few days visit recently to her warm friend, Miss Betsy Wiley.

For Sale or Trade

A complete scholarship in one of the best business colleges of Texas, located at Dallas. Call at The Democrat office for information.

Deputy County Clerk E. H. Keen attended a game of base ball at Wylie Tuesday. Ed was a star player, himself, in his youthful days and still takes great interest in the national sport.

The strength which comes to us from eating nourishing food is better than stimulation, because it is new strength.
The health which belongs to a strong body, well nourished by proper food (properly digested), is the only health that is lasting.
The difference between Shaker Digestive Cordial and other medicines is simply that it helps nature to make strength. It does not profess to cure sickness, except as that sickness is a result of weakness caused by food not properly digested
Shaker Digestive Cordial will relieve the pangs of indigestion, and make thin, sick people well as if their stomachs had never been out of order.
It is a gentle aid to the digestion of nature's strength-maker, food.
All druggists. Trial bottle, 10 cts.

Prof. T. W. Lanham has returned from a weeks visit to his family at Farmington, Grayson county.

Noah's Ark contained a complete list of all the animals and our drug store contains medicines for all the animals. When your veterinary writes you a prescription remember us. Smith Bros

W. A. Shelton came in from a trip to Merit and north east Collin yesterday.

"When the spring time comes, gentle Annie,"
"And the chills and fever bloom once more,"
"You had better buy a bottle of Cheatham's Chill Tonic"
"From the man who runs the nearest drug store."

Misses Daisie Brown of Bowie and Midge Ferguson came up from Allen yesterday.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for Constipation it's the Best and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Mrs. Giles G. Houston came over from Gainesville yesterday and in company with Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy will visit the Nashville Centennial.

It is always gratifying to receive testimonials for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, when the endorsement is from a physician it is especially so. "There is no more satisfactory or effective remedy than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy," writes Dr. R. E. Robey, physician and pharmacist, of Olney, Mo.; and as he has used the Remedy in his own family and sold it in his drug store for six years, he should know. For sale by City Drug Store.

Mrs. Florence Bennett, of Hillsboro, is the guest of her brother, Dr. Ben Throckmorton and family.

T. M. Wilson was in Sherman Monday.

Plano received her first bale Tuesday. W. E. Boren sold it to W. M. Chaddick & Co., for 10.30 per hundred.

What Dr. A. E. Salter Says.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Gents:—From my personal knowledge, gained in observing the effect of your Shiloh's Cure in cases of advanced consumption, I am prepared to say is the most remarkable Remedy that has ever been brought to my attention. It has certainly saved many from Consumption. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

August 14th and 16th and Sept. 4th and 6th the H. & T. C. railroad will sell round trip tickets to St. Louis, Cincinnati, Kansas City and New Orleans at one and one-third fare—good fifteen days for return.
S. Quesenberry, Agt.

A Remarkable Cure of Chronic Diarrhœa.

In 1862, when I served my country as a private in Company A, 167th Pennsylvania Volunteers, I contracted chronic diarrhœa. It has given me a great deal of trouble ever since. I have tried a dozen different medicines and several prominent doctors without any permanent relief. Not long ago a friend sent me a sample bottle of Chamberlain's Cholic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, and after that I bought and took a 50 cent bottle; and now I can say that I am entirely cured. I cannot be thankful enough to you for this great Remedy, and recommend it to all suffering veterans. If in doubt write me. Yours gratefully, HENRY STEINBERGER, Allentown, Pa. Sold by City Drug Store.

The lemonade stand at Liberty camp meeting reports selling 2000 pounds of ice, 35 cases of soda pop, 35 dozen lemons, $8 worth of chewing gum and a great many other things in proportion. Cash receipts amounted to $140.75 after paying all expenses. The church got half of the profits. The stand was run by Prof. J. H. Bright and brothers.

YOU DON'T FEEL RICHT,

Yet do nothing to make yourself well again because you HATE to think you are sick. This is unwise, it is more, it is dangerous, for the reason that kidney diseases begin with just such uncertain symptoms. Are you dull and despondent, bilious, constipated, with headaches, foul breath, weak digestion and no energy? These symptoms mean a torpid liver and unless promptly regulated will surely affect the kidneys (if they are not already involved). The course of wisdom is to begin at once to use

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS.

It is a kidney remedy and system regulator combined. If the disorder is confined to the liver and bowels, it will cleanse, strengthen and invigorate those organs and quickly restore a feeling of health and vigor, and if the trouble has reached the kidneys it brings to bear a powerful healing influence that may be depended on to control the disease.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
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M'KINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	7cts.
Wheat per bus	80 to 83cts,
Corn per bus	25 to 30cts.
Oats per bus	16 to 17cts
Hay baled per ton	$5.00 to $6.00.
Millet hay per ton	$5.00 to $6.00.
Flour per cwt	$2.30 to $2.50.
Millet seed per bus	40 to 50cts.
Baled Oats per ton	$6.
Meal per bus	45 to 50cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00
Chops per cwt	80cts.
Bran per cwt	55 to 60cts.
Butter per lb	12½ to 15cts.
Eggs per doz	6 to 8cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2.00 to $2.50.
Hogs per cwt	$2.50 to $3.10.
Beef on foot per cwt	$1.75 to $2.25.
Beef dressed per lb	4½cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4½cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.25 to 1.75.

NO CURE—NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Malaria, Chills and Fever. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating Tonics. Price 50c.

George Sullivan of this city and Miss Daisy Brown of White's Grove were married at the latter's home on the night of the 4th. Eld. S. K. Hallam of the Christian church officiated. Mr. Sullivan is a popular clerk in S. Weisman's dry goods house and his bride is a refined and beautiful young lady. They will make McKinney their home.

H. G. Harrison is replenishing his stock in the Chicago markets. Some of his McKinney friends would not be surprised if a young ex-widow should return with him.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples, chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood-purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 cents per package

Farmersville received her first bale of cotton Aug. 4. It was raised by Thos. Gladden on L. L. Allison's farm. The bale weighed 411 pounds, was ginned by Wright & King and bought by Carver Bros for 8 cents per pound. A premium of $12.50 was also given, making the cotton bring a little more than 11 cents.

Coast Country Farming Lands: From $3.50 per acre up—convenient to rail roads and markets. For maps and information write Truheart & Co., Galveston.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

Vernie Graves is slowly recovering from a severe attack of fever.

Hon. G. R. Smith left this week for Kentucky where he will pay a two-week's visit to his mother who resides at Horse Cave. His little 3-year-old son Lewis accompanied him, and his brother, Judge W. J. Smith, of Dallas, preceded him a few days.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Henry Chiles passed through McKinney, yesterday, from Wylie enroute to his home in Sherman.

James A. Barnett, of Dallas, greeted friends on our streets yesterday.

Miss Effie Hines, who has been visiting friends in this city has gone to Plano to remain a few days before returning home.

Mrs. R. L. Parker returned Tuesday from Sherman. Her daughters, Misses Josie and Bettie, remained for a few days further visit.

E. A. Winn Dead.

E. A. Winn died Aug. 9, at Peoria, Hill county, Tex., of consumption. Mr. Winn is well known in and around McKinney, having resided in this county about 15 years. His many friends here will be grieved to learn of his death. THE DEMOCRAT in common with all extends sympathy to his estimable family.

A Juvenile Temple.

Nevada, Collin Co., Tex., Aug. 10.—Mrs. M. W. Fairbank, grand superintendeut of Juvenile Templars, I. O. G. T., organized a juvenile temple here to-day, with Mrs. Julia Bryant superintendent.
The temple was christened for the organizer, "Fairbanks."

Normal Examination.

The summer normal closed a six weeks' session Tuesday in this city and Wednesday the biggest normal examination in the history of Collin county was in begun. Conductor H. G. Reed exchanged positions with Prof. Hall of Bonham, who is conducting the examination.

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S. H. Reeves and Mrs. M. Pickett were recently married at Mr. Moyers near Weston.

Henry Blake and Miss Mary Gribble were united in marriage, Aug. 3, at Liberty this county. The bride is a niece of Rev. Gribble of Celina and both contracting parties are highly esteemed young people of their community.

Thankful Teachers.

The teachers of the Normal unanimously adopted the following resolution, Tuesday, Aug. 10:

Whereas, we, the teachers in attendance at the Collin County Summer Normal during the past six weeks feel that we have been greatly benefitted by the earnest efforts of our conductor, Prof. H. G. Reed and his associate instructors, Profs. G. P. Brown, C. F. Trotter, T. J. Patillo and W. L. Yarbrough, and

Whereas, the citizens of McKinney have been very liberal and courteous to us as an institution and as individuals;

Therefore, be it resolved, that we express our gratitude to the instructors for their efforts in our behalf, and to the good people of McKinney for their liberality and hospitality.

Another Curious Egg.

McKinney, Tex., Aug. 9.—T. M. McDaniel, one of G. H. Schoellkopf's shoe drummers, showed the News correspondent an egg curiosity today. The egg is of usual size, shape and shell thickness. The curiosity consists in the word "Klondike" appearing in capital letters, raised and bold in character, spelled out distinctly on the exterior surface of the shell. The letters are perfectly symmetrical in outline and regularly spaced between and appear to be of the same material as the balance of the shell. Mr. McDaniel, who resides here, says his wife found the egg yesterday in a hen's nest in their barn lot. Many are viewing the freak in wonderment and regard it as an omen corroborating the Klondike gold reports now coming in from Alaska.

Electric Gas Engine.

Prof. M. A. Westbrook and Mr. G. L. Peeler, our jeweler, have been building a small engine to be used in the Henry College laboratory for running a dynamo and other experimental machines, that is the nicest piece of machinery, we have seen. It will be propelled by the explosion of gas by an electric spark which makes it very inexpensive.—Campbell News.

The above is no surprise to Prof. Westbrook's acquaintances in this city where he formally lived and taught in our city public schools. In the sciences he is profound, and is an inventor of many useful mechanical and electrical devices proving that he is a genius of no mean ability.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. Aug. 12, '97, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

May Brown, Nettie Brooks, Mamie Carson, Emma Haze, J W Burge, Fannie Hodge, Mamie Jones, Annie Jimpson, Ira Tucker, Mary Wood.

GENTLEMEN.

James T. Bush, C G Burk, H M Cramer, John W Clark, C H Durham, Joes Foster, E H Fostron, Edgar Gordon, Howard Hall, W B Letson, J P Levie, J W McPhil, Enbert Ledford, Will McMinnie, G Perkins, Nathan Pool, W H Rayzor, W M Rhea, T A Randleton, W A Roland, J M Stiff, Elbert Tedford, J P Wade, John Write, E F Wallace.

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.
Mrs. M. A. Cameron,
Postmistress.

BAD WRECK.

Bridge Partly Burned and Several Persons Seriously burned in The Explosion.

About 2:30 Saturday morning the people of our city were aroused by whistles blowing and ringing of the fire alarm. The fire department was promptly out but discovered the fire to be in the country south of town and returned to their quarters. Many hurried on to the scene of the blaze which they found to eminate from Wilson creek H. & T. C. bridge. The following is a true account, as we learned it, of the origin and result of the fire. At 2:05 a. m., two freights loaded with crude petroleum bound for Mexico passed through McKinney. In some manner the caboose and car containing two oil tanks left the railing and the train stopped with them on the bridge which had taken fire. The train crew assisted by several citizens went to work extinguishing the burning bride with water carried from the creek below. The flames soon reached the oil tanks and one of them exploded with terrific force shattering the caboose into splinterwood and saturating the surrounding forest with burning oil. The creek was a running stream of fire while the heavens were vividly illuminated which was discernable for miles. Two sections of the bridge went down and the remaining tank was precipitated to the ground twenty feet below. At the time of the explosion rear brakeman C. W. McClain and Charlie Russell of this city were nearest, being just at the rear of the caboose, while conductor Snodgrass and Dink Estes also of this city were in the creek below with buckets getting water to extinguish the flames. The former two were horribly burned, the latter two were only slightly injured. The injured brakeman was brought to town where Drs. Wiley and Throckmorton attended his injuries until morning when he was sent to the Houston hospital. Charlie Russell was conveyed by tender hands to the home of his widowed mother in South McKinney, where Dr. Caldwell and a loving mother did all possible to alleviate his agony. His condition was serious but hopes are now entertained for his safe recovery. Others standing around in the vicinity when the explosion occurred were shaken up and badly frightened, and several slightly burned. Hundreds visited the scene of the wreck Saturday. The wrecker, construction gang and section hands up and down the road were summoned early Saturday mornig and soon a large force were at work. Although trains could not pass over the bridge until next morning passengers and mail were transferred and traffic was but slightly interrupted.

Chairman Forbes in Town.

E. C. Forbes, county populist chairman, was in town a little while yesterday. In conversation with a DEMOCRAT reporter on matters political he made the following observations:

"The populist organization is here to stay. There has been no pie, either—national, state or local to hold it together. It is bound together by patriotism solely. On the other hand, were there no post offices for the republicans, or fat county and state offices for the democrats, there would not be enough left of those two parties to hold a ward caucus.

"The Farmers' Tribune, of Des Moines, Iowa, says the Iowa populists have 'captured the democrats of that state.' They did this by taking the democratic name and democratic candidates. This is the same plan that Jonah took to capture the whale.

"From present indications there will be no difficulty in prevailing upon free-silver-Bryan-Bailey-or-bust democratic patriots to become candidates for county offices next year. Already a dozen or more of these would-be standard bearers are whispering in the ears of their friends the startling information that they are willing to serve their country. For patriotism of this kind our democratic friends remove the fragment of cloth from the branches of the shrubbery, or in other words, 'take the rag off the bush.'"

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Honesty to all, regardless of Age or Color, Live and Let Live, are Melton's Maxims in selling you Family Groceries.

Investigate And Be Convinced.

T. J. MELTON.

The Cotton Buyers.

The following cotton firms will do business in McKinney during the coming season through their local agents as named below:

Harrson & Co., by Walter Harrison.

Neil P. Anderson, by Henry Lewis.

A. A. Payton & Co., by James Pollard.

H. L. Edwards, by W. A. Purcell.

Inuman & Co., by L. J. Powell

Fred J. Baker, by W. M. Kelly.

Brige, Forbes & Co., by Hunt Bowlby.

Ralli Bros., by George T. Zizinie, C. H. Frierson, W. S. King, Heard & Pierce and Jim Stokes.

Cairns, Neville & Co.

E. W. Kirkland & Co.

A. L. Wolfe & Co., by P. Harrts.

H. C. Killingsworth, by J. H. Painter.

The firms of Ralli Bros., Neil P. Andersons and Inman & Co., are three of the largest cotton brokers of the world and with their efficient corpse of buyers in our city, the farmers may rest assured of receiving the highest market price for the fleecy staple of the vintage of '97. —Daily Courier.

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A Huge Cucumber.

Bill Cargal, a well known farmer living seven miles east of McKinney, was in town yesterday exhibiting a huge cucumber. It measured eighteen inches in length and twenty and a half inches in circumference and weighed ten and a half pounds. The seed from which it was grown were sent Mr. Cargal last fall by Congressman Bailey from Washington. He planted quite a lot of them, which sprouted vines of the most thrifty growth and rapid maturity, resembling the ordinary vine in nearly every respect except in productiveness. But, only two vegetables ever grew on a single vine, though the prodigious size of them make up what is lacking in prolificness. Mr. Cargal is very proud of his production which he has nomenclatured the "Bailey Cucumber" and which he says he will exhibit at the Dallas State fair.

Notice.

Owing to the circumstances that I can not control, I am sorry to state, that our geussing contest is at an end and will not be put through as advertised.
Yours Truly
JNO G. DAVIS.
With Singer Mfg. Co.

Notice to the Public.

Henry H. Wilkins, who has been with Sam Smith the past twelve months, is now in business for himself just west of Owens' lumber yard. He is prepared to do first class horse shoeing and blacksmithing, and solicits a portion of your trade. Satisfaction guaranteed at reasonable prices.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder, in both men women. Regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and will cure any case above mentioned.
E. W. HALL, Sole Manufacturer,
P. O. Box 317, Waco, Texas
READ THIS.
Sherman, Tex., Aug. 17.
I certify that I have used Hall's Great Discovery in my family and I can recommend it to the public.
A. L. STRONG.
Sold by Smith Bros.

To Nashville is in 30 hours and 45 minutes. Trains leaves McKinney at 10:45 a. m., arrives at Nashville following evening at 5:30. Quickest time and as few changes of cars as by any route. Ten days tickets on sale each Tuesday and Thursday at $15.50: 20 day tickets on sale every day at $21.35, also tickets on sale every day good to return until Nov. 7th at $29.10. Through sleeper from Greenville if desired. See W. N. Collier, agent S. S. and Rw'y McKinney, Tex., for tickets. Correspondence solicited.

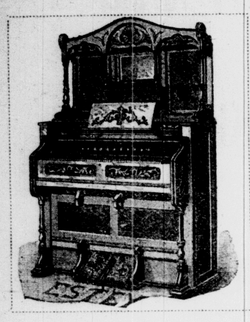
A Violation of Law.

Every law provides a penalty for those who disregard it. Sickness is the penalty that nature inflicts on those who violate her laws. Indiscretions of the appetite, neglect of the bowels, worry, overwork, these are violations of law and the penalty is disordered digestion, torpid liver and biliousness. When such ailments make their appearance they should be quickly removed, otherwise more serious troubles are sure to develop. A reliable system tonic is the remedy to use, and where can you find a better than Prickley Ash Bitters. It strengthens the kidneys, cleanses and regulates the liver, tones up the stomach and digestion, and purifies the bowels, thus restoring activity in all the vital organs and vigorous bodily health. For sale by Smith Bros.

The H. & T. C. R. R. is selling Round trip tickets to the celebrated Warm Wells at Marlin, Tex., good for 30 days at $6.85 for Round trip from McKinney.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfils every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder, and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and over comes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get many times during the night to urinate The mild and the extraordinarr effect of Swamp-Root is soot realized. It stand the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention THE DEMOCRAT and send your name to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietor of this paper guarantees the genuineness of this offer.

Brakeman Run Over and Killed

Denison, Tex., Aug. 7.–Tom Hodges, a Brakeman on the Katy, was run over and killed at Pilot Point this morning by the second section of No. 40, north-bound freight in charge of Conductor Ball and Engineer Hopper.

At Pilot Point Hodges, it is said, went out to get the train orders, and it is supposed that in attempting to get on the board when he returned it turned and threw him under the wheels. He was literally cut and mangled into small bits. The largest piece left of the upper portion of his body was his head and that had two holes punctured in the top of his skull. The trunk and the limbs were dismembered, and the flesh and bones horribly mangled by the cars.

The overwhelming defeat of those constitutional amendments is another illustration of the fact that the people of Texas are by no means such fools as some folks take them to be. It is also a strong argument in favor of the referendum. Had the legislature alone had the right to settle the matter, the great majority of the citizens of the state would have had foisted upon them at last two infernal measures that were utterly repugnant to their sense of right and justice and which would have entailed upon them and their posterity for generations untold burdens of woe and debt. All laws and governmental measures affect the great mass of the people more than any special class and they should, therefore, be given an opportunity to say just what they want and just what they don't want. We do not say that the American people are encyclopaedias of knowledge, but we do say they know more as a whole than any one man or single class of men and that the foundation principle of their government guarantees to them the right to say how they shall be governed. —Beeville Picayune (Dem)

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Unvanquised Animal

Fifty years ago breeders protested earnestly against the innovation of the iron horse, and predicted death to all industries connected with horseflesh; but every snort of the iron horse called this unvanquished animal to other fields of usefulness. He's not to go because of the advent of electricity, either.–Missouri Agriculturist.

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PRINCETON PICK-UPS.

Mercury's Lofty Perch—Good Templar Installation—Fine Crops Bird's Eye Gleaning from the Point of a Pithy Pen.

Princeton, Tex., Aug. 5, '97.

Hot! Ugh!

The thermometer standing at 109 today.

Water is getting scarce.

A good deal of sickness.

P. B. Buckalew and family spent last week with relatives in Denton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Lowe have a new daughter at their home.

J. B. Wellman represented Princeton Lodge, No. 122, at the 5th session of the grand lodge I. O. G. T., which convened at Garland on July 27th, and lasted four days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Screeton left Monday last to visit relatives in Ladonia before returning to their home in Desare, Ark.

The infant of S. O. Miller and wife was buried Tuesday morning July 27th.

Revs. J. S. Cameron and D. W. Garvin conducted a revival meeting at Heardland last week. Good interest and several conversions.

Joe Clements and family came in from Montague county on Wednesday noon train. They will remain here several weeks visiting Mrs. Clement's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cupp, and other relatives.

D. W. Hornbeak has been confined to his bed for several weeks with slow fever.

Eld. R. C. Horn delivered a temperance lecture at the Methodist church Monday afternoon, July 26th.

Mrs. Sarah Hodge and daughter, Miss Nannie, and son Burton have returned home from Parker county.

R. A. Bishop has disposed of his blacksmith interest to R. M. Ball, who will take charge of the shop at an early day.

D. C. Efird, Jr., and R. M. Lewis spent the week on Red river fishing and hunting.

J. W. Solomon and family of Denton county are visiting Mrs. Solomon's sister, Mrs. J. B. Wellman and brother, P. B. Buckalew, this week.

Earle, aged 13 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, died Saturday morning and was buried in Princeton cemetery Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. S. Cameron conducted the funeral services.

E. C. Barnett returned Saturday by way of New Orleans and Houston from the Centennial and visit to the old folks at home in Alabama.

A protracted meeting is in progress at the Baptist church. The opening sermon was preached Sunday night.

The I. O. G. T. public address and installation of officers was a success. The house was filled to overflowing and rapt attention was given to the following program:

1st. Song—Opening Ode.
2nd. Prayer.
3rd. Song—Vote as You Pray.
4th. Welcome Address, by Dr. D. H. Hancock of Farmersville.
5th. Recitation, by Miss Hallie Elmore.
6th. Installation of Officers, by D. H. Hancock, L. D., of Farmersville Lodge.
7. Recitation, by Miss Kate Wilson.
8. Essay, by Miss Sadie Caldwell.
9th. Music.
10th. Address by W. A. Massie.
11th. Address, by J. G. Meek.
12th. Closing Address, by Rev. J. B. Wellman.
13th. Song—Closing Ode.
14th. Benediction, by D. H. Hancock.

On account of sickness G. C. T., J. E. Corrigan of Hico, Tex., failed to fill his part of the program.

Rev. J. B. Wellham was reelected for the third term to the office of C. T. He is a faithful and efficient officer and a zealous worker for the temperance cause.

The writer and wife returned Monday last from a ten days' sojourn with his parents in Robertson county, in the heart of Brazos Bottom. The corn crop in that section is very fine. The cotton prospect up to a few months ago was flattering, but owing to continued drouth, is fast assuming a gloomy phase. Boll worms are doing some harm. During the ten years that we have traveled over the H. & T. C. rail road from McKinney to Hearne, we have never seen as fine crops as on this trip. Collin county is good enough for me. On our return trip we visited the hot artesian wells at Marlin, and found the water as represented—hot enough to boil an egg. These wells have had a large patronage during the summer. The hotel and sanitarium accommodations are first class.

There was a wedding at Heardland last week. Mr. R. H. Dennis and Miss Maggie Hargrove were the contracting parties and Rev. D. W. Garvin the officiating minister.

John Dillbeck and wife are in Brazoria county visiting the latter's parents.

Mrs. A. J. Corder, who has been very sick for several weeks, is slowly recovering.

Rev. Joel S. Graves is conducting a protracted meeting at Wilson's chapel. HPESOJ.

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A Brief Description of an Institution of Learning

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This college was originally founded as "Sherman Institute" in 1877 by Jesse Ghent Nash, A. M., LL. D., and Mary Louise Nash, A. M. In 1896 the name was changed to Mary Nash College.

The College was established for the purpose of giving young women, who desire to obtain a liberal education, such advantages and facilities as are enjoyed by young men in institutions of the highest grade.

It is a private, undenominational school, but Christian in its influence, discipline and instruction.

The history of this school is phenomenal, and its unparalleled success is sufficient guarantee of its worth.

In addition to its thorough literary course, its schools of music, painting and oratory, with all the appliances for liberal culture in every direction, in the hands of a faculty second to none in the South for scholarship, skill and faithfulness, have won for the College a national reputation as a first-class school for girls, and this reputation it will ever strive to maintain.

LOCATION.

Sherman has many advantages as a site for a college. It is beautifully located on an elevated plateau, easy of access, being at the intersection of the Houston & Texas Central and Texas & Pacific railroads and is the present terminus of the M., K. & T. and "Cotton Belt" roads. The elevation is above the yellow-fever line, and being supplied with pure artesian water, makes it one of the healthiest points in the South.

Electric cars, waterworks and incandescent lights are among its advantages; and the enterprise of its citizens and the educational, social and intellectual attractions have made it so desirable a place for homes that its population is constantly and rapidly increasing. Its numerous schools and colleges have justly entitled it to the distinction of being called the "Athens of Texas."

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

The College is situated on the north side of West Mulberry street, upon high, well drained ground, overlooking surrounding residences and extending to Washington Avenue on the north. The buildings are commodious and homelike, with interior courts, ornamented with trees and flowers and surrounded by balconies, affording pleasant retreats although in the heart of the city.

Clark Hall is a commodious building with northern and southern exposures and both stories divided into rooms for two occupants.

Ghent Hall, a substantial brick structure in the Ionic style, 80x40, affords an elegant dining hall on the entire first floor. The upper floor is divided into rooms for boarders. The whole building is handsomely finished in native pine.

We have the largest and most commodious storm house in the State, with thorough sanitation and ventilation. It is situated under the Gymnasium, and can be thus reached promptly and without exposure to the weather. It will comfortably contain 250 persons. While we trust and believe that it will never be required, we have constructed it as a measure of precaution in case of emergency, to quiet the nerves of timid pupils, and to reassure their parents.

THE GYMNASIUM.

The largest building of the kind in the State, with the bowling alley, is in an extensive campus, surrounded with trees and shrubbery; and here are found lawn tennis and croquet, each attracting to exercise, which is so essential a feature in the life of a student.

The school rooms, music hall, studio, museum, library and boarding department are all under the same roof, well ventilated and furnished with every appliance for health and comfort.

The entire College is heated with steam, has its own boiler, engine and dynamo, and with radiators and incandescent lights in every room, water-works and bath rooms, nothing further could be desired to enhance comfort, as everything in that direction has been so generously supplied.

LIBRARY.

Our Library contains over five thousand volumes of well-selected books, including the latest works of reference and current periodicals. The life and Sermons of Spurgeon, twenty volumes; History for Ready Reference, five volumes; A New History of Poetry and Song; William Cullen Bryant, three volumes; Library of American Literature, eleven volumes; and Appleton's Scientific Library, sixty volumes, are among our latest additions. New works are being continually added.

The Librarian directs the general reading of the young ladies and assists in the selection of books.

The library can be resorted to at certain periods by students for the purpose of consulting authorities.

Congressional documents, surveys, botanical exhibits, Smithsonian Reports and the Patent Office Gazette are sent regularly to our library.

Every student pays a library fee of $1 per session, which will be expended in the purchase of additional books and periodicals.

THE LABORATORY.

The Laboratory is supplied with a full complement of Philosophical, Astronomical and Chemical apparatus, necessary for illustrating all experiments—especially electricity. Surveying with transit, level, and practical work with the sextant.

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THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY.

1. Contains the cabinet of Minerals, Rocks and Fossils and several hundred specimens, besides models, relief maps, sections, landscapes, etc. The Herbarium contains a fine collection of South American plants—over two hundred specimens from various parts of the world, received mainly through the Department at Washington, microscopes, flower press, and all the facilities for the proper prosecution of plant analysis, and make the study of Botany delightful and profitable.

2. The cabinet of Zoology is in its infancy, but contains sufficient for illustrating all the sub-kingdoms, as it contains mammals, birds, reptiles, insects, shells, corals, and other radiates.

Special attention is directed to the course which is the highest in the southwest. The departments of Elocution, Music, Art, Languages, etc., are taught by teachers selected by the high standard of character, ability and fitness for special works.

A lecture course is also a special feature.

Contributions to the museum are solicited.

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The New York World says, that John D. Rockefeller receives aninecome of $8,500,000 per year. This is $24,138.00 per day, Sundays included. Think of one man drawing $24,138.00 per day of ten hours; while thousands—yea millions, suffer for actual necessaries of life. Rockefeller receives this enormous income through the power to tax every man, woman and child in these United States, who uses kerosine oil. Reader? You pay the tax. What do you think of it? Will you continue to vote for either of the old parties that are supporters of such systems of robbery.—Mexia Herald Echo.

Marriage Bells

Licenses to wed recorded in county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, for the week ending Aug. 6, 1897:

Junious Turner and Miss Lidie Hodge.

Lee Benson and Miss Nancy J. Roach.

Jesse Milton and Miss Evaline Copell.

D. McGovern and Miss Minnie Thomas.

Albert Bawins and Miss Maud Jackson.

George A. Sullivan and Miss Daisy Brown.

W. M. Todd and Miss Emma Walters.

B. F. Conger and Miss M. M. Ingram.

H. H. Blake and Miss Mary Gribble.

W. L. Mosely and Miss H. E. Weaver.

J. W. Metheny and Mrs. Annie Wright.

W. C. Kuhn and Miss Delseney Melton.

B. C. Birdwell and Miss Emma H. Berry.

W. G. Davis and Miss P. C. Gilbert.

John Jackson and Miss Pearl Bowman.

MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her babe, proves the contrary.

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CROPS IN TEXAS.

Cotton Injured by the Drouth, Plant Small But Loaded—Corn One-Fourth Short.

On Friday, Aug. 6, the Dallas News published its third of the series of crops reports for the season of 1897.

It shows that the cotton plant is small from the effects of the continued drouth, but is loaded with bolls and estimates the maximum yield of the State at 2,240,000 bales. Corn has shrunk twenty-five per cent. below the average crop. Early corn is made and usually turned out to be a very good yield. The late corn, though, has suffered for want of rain and by the ravages of hot winds, and in a few localities from chinch bugs.

Oats and wheat are about all threshed. Oats will run from 50 to 60 bushels to the acre, and wheat about 20. Both were the finest yields ever known in the State. Vegetables and fruit have suffered from the drouth. North Texas seems to be the favored section of the State, and East Texas next. The crops in North Texas this year are later than last, but the conditions are favorable for a better all-round yield.

COLLIN COUNTY.

Anna—No change in acreage since last report. Had a nice shower this evening, which will do cotton and late corn a great deal of good. Threshing all done in this section.

Allen—Wheat and oats are all threshed; yield good. Corn badly damaged by continued drouth; will not make more than half a crop. Cotton is looking very well, but is beginning to show the effect of the dry, hot weather. Rain badly needed.

Copeville—Very dry. Late corn no crop at all; extra early corn good. Early cotton good, late small yet; not doing much. No rain for seven weeks more than enough to settle the dust. This applies only to this immediate vicinity, as there have been good rains close all around this place, and crops are good.

Farmersville—There has been no change in the acreage of either corn or cotton since our last report. The long drouth has very materially injured the prospects for corn. Corn that was planted early will make a fair yield of 40 to 50 bushels per acre. That which is late will not yield more than one-half as much. In this immediate section a good rain has not fallen since June 10. One or two recent showers have enabled the cotton to keep growing so far. The plant is heavily fruited, but under the scorching heat of the last week it is beginning to throw off squares and young bolls rapidly, if we do not get a season in a short time the crop will be badly injured. If, however, a good rain falls and the much dreaded boll worm does not attack the yield will be abundant. Picking will not begin in earnest here before the latter part of August.

McKinney—Wheat and oats are about all threshed out. Wheat yield 17 bushels per acre, and oats an average of 50. Corn cut short by drouth; stalk fired up greatly; yield will not average more than 25 bushels per acre. Cotton plant suffering for rain; crop cleaned out; a rain in the near future will benefit the cotton crop.

Nevada—Since last report we have been very dry, only a small rain the 17th instant since June 6. Cotton has stopped growing and the plant is small and full, but the continued drouth is cutting the crop short. The prospects are not good for over one-third of a bale to the acre, and possibly less. Corn is made and drying very fast. The yield is estimated at 20 to 30 bushels per acre. The short crops are attributed to the drouth.

Plano—The cotton crop is very fine in this section of the country; in some localities it is better than others on account of local showers. Expect half a bale to the acre without any more rain. Corn crop was cut short at least one-third on account of drouth. Early corn is very good, though late corn is almost worthless. Wheat turned out 30 bushels to the acre. Oats 50 bushels. Oats and wheat were both very fine.

A London periodical recently offered a prize for the best collection of unintentionally amusing advertisements. Here is a part of one list, it embodies illustrations of the curious effect which the misplacing of a comma, or of a word or two, often has upon the meaning of a sentence.

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"Wanted, a room for two gentlemen about 30 feet long and 320 feet broad."

"A lady wants to sell her piano, as she is going abroad in a strong iron frame."

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Frisco Route.

The Frisco Line have arranged to run a through sleeper between Paris, Texas and Eureka Springs, Ark., during the summer season of 1897. This sleeper will leave Paris north-bound daily at 7:10 p. m. running to Monett for breakfast and thence via Seligman to Eureka Springs arriving at 9:11 p. m.

South bound, leave Eureka Springs at 5 p. m. and go direct via Seligman to Paris, arriving at 8:15 a. m. for breakfast, and connecting with lines for all points in Texas. Meals at Monett and Paris are served at the famous Harvey Dining Halls.

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Dallas, Tex.

"Young nam, can you—"

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